

**Introduced by Senator Chesbro**

January 22, 2004

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An act to amend Sections 37700 and 37706 of the Education Code, relating to school districts.

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

SB 1142, as introduced, Chesbro. School districts: four-day school week.

Existing law authorizes the Pacific Unified School District, the Leggett Valley Unified School District, and the Reeds Creek Elementary School District to operate one or more schools in their respective districts on a 4-day school week if the district complies with specified instructional time requirements and certain other requirements applicable to these school districts. Existing law specifies that if one of these school districts provides less than the required 180 days of instruction, the Superintendent of Public Instruction is required to reduce the base revenue limit per unit of average daily attendance for that fiscal year by a specified amount. Existing law entitles these districts to receive the same support from the State School Fund due to the average daily attendance at the schools within their respective districts that they would receive if they operated under the provision of law relating to the 175-day school year.

This bill would delete the reduction in base revenue limit funding that results to these school districts for offering less than 180 days of instruction and would condition the entitlement to the same support from the State School Fund due to the average daily attendance on the districts operating under the provisions of law relating to the 180-day school year.



Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 37700 of the Education Code is  
2 amended to read:

3 37700. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, the Pacific  
4 Unified School District, the Leggett Valley Unified School  
5 District, and the Reeds Creek Elementary School District may  
6 operate one or more schools in their respective districts on a  
7 four-day school week, if the district complies with the  
8 instructional time requirements specified in Section 37701 and the  
9 other requirements of this chapter.

10 ~~(b) If a school district operates one or more schools on a~~  
11 ~~four-day week pursuant to this section and the program for the~~  
12 ~~school year provides less than the 180 days of instruction required~~  
13 ~~under Section 46200, the Superintendent of Public Instruction~~  
14 ~~shall reduce the base revenue limit per unit of average daily~~  
15 ~~attendance for that fiscal year by the amount the school district~~  
16 ~~would have received for the increase received pursuant to~~  
17 ~~subdivision (a) of Section 46200, as adjusted in fiscal years~~  
18 ~~subsequent to the 1984–85 fiscal year. If a school district operates~~  
19 ~~one or more schools on a four-day school week pursuant to this~~  
20 ~~section and the program provides less than the minimum~~  
21 ~~instructional minutes required under Section 46201, the~~  
22 ~~Superintendent of Public Instruction shall reduce the base revenue~~  
23 ~~limit per unit of average daily attendance for that fiscal year in~~  
24 ~~which the reduction occurs by the amount the school district would~~  
25 ~~have received for the increase in the 1987–88 fiscal year base~~  
26 ~~revenue limit per unit of average daily attendance pursuant to~~  
27 ~~paragraph (6) of subdivision (b) of Section 42238, as adjusted in~~  
28 ~~the 1987–88 fiscal year and fiscal years thereafter.~~

29 (c) A school district with an exclusive bargaining  
30 representative may operate a school on a four-day school week  
31 pursuant to this section only if the district and the representative  
32 of each bargaining unit of district employees mutually agree to that  
33 operation in a memorandum of understanding.

34 SEC. 2. Section 37706 of the Education Code is amended to  
35 read:

1 37706. If the district elects to conduct an experimental  
2 program as authorized by this chapter, the district shall be entitled  
3 to receive the same support, but not more support, from the State  
4 School Fund due to the average daily attendance at the schools  
5 within the district that it would have received if the district had  
6 been operating under the provisions of law relating to the ~~175-day~~  
7 *180-day* school year.

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